

I am appalled that a company using airwaves belonging to ALL the citizens is forcing 62 of its stations to air a piece of partisan propaganda this close to the election. By allowing a few corporate owners to dominate our CITIZEN-OWNED airwaves and then further allowing them to spread their wacko political opinions WITHOUT PRESENTING BOTH SIDES is an affront to our liberty and constitution. Stop the madness; break up cooperate media conglomerates.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.